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FRIDAY ..... DECEMBER 14, 1877.

## WEATHER REPORT.

states and Lower Lake region, rising barometer, brisk and high west to north winds, colder, clear, and partly cloudy weather, and from the last district to the northlowed in the last district by falling barometer and southerly winds.

For the South Atlantic States, rising barometer, northwest to northeast winds, increasing to brisk and high along the North Carolina coast, and colder, clear, or partly cloudy weather.

For the Gulf States, rising barometer, variable winds, and colder, partly cloudy weather, with rain-areas principally in the southeast winds.

For Tennessee, the Ohio Valley, and Upper Lake region, rising barometer, north to chritude. west winds, colder and generally clearer E. B. weather, followed by falling barometer, easterly or southerly winds, and in the last district rising temperature.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was clear, and mild. At midnight it was cooler, with brisk, high winds.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 44 A. M., 57; noon, 65; 3 P. M., 63; 6 P. M., 59; midnight, 47.

#### CHRISTMAS.

The day is near at hand when all men will the darling children, will be uncovered with delight and examined with leaping hearts. In these days of trial-these times of recommerce-of course there must be a sharper limit placed upon the expenditure for all things going to make up holiday enjoyment and festivity; but the festive and joyous anniversary, notwithstanding this, cannot fail to bring consolation and what the condition of the country, this most lovely and beneficent holiday gathers up and blends the purest emotions and sweetest virtues of social life, and spreads over the community the golden sheen of charity and love. What would the world do without Christmas? It must have such an anniversary. If it in its place. But who can suppose it possible that Christmas could be exchanged for an anniversary could be given up. As the anniversary of the happiest event for man

Old men always hail it with especial delight. They felicitate themselves that they have lived to hail it once more, and they hope to be permitted to see it yet again be-They enter with joy into the pleasures of these notices long. They are very relaxing. the day, and contemplating childhood and

But to come more directly to the point, it is a matter of interest to us just now as tle. to what we shall have for Christmas-the presents that shall be made-the things that chief points, which ought to be read by shall be brought together for comfort, for every one in search of truth. gaiety, and for gratification for friends and propriate things may go.

OSCAR CRANZ.-Isn't this a good introindispensable to genteel festivity and merry-making. We are inclined to think, from our own experience, that our friend sells to inebriate not to vulgarity and coarseness. Gentlemen who are indiscreet enough to drink too much of it become gravely and decorously jovial, and exhibit a pany that, while it amuses, inspires reble sort of liquors and wines. He has finest | Norfolk Virginian. brandies, whiskeys, rums, and those venerable liquors, peach and apple brandies; fine for Christmas; and famous wines, including those noblemen amongst wines: Madeira, Port, and Sherry. Besides, Mr. Cranz has the choicest wines of France, Italy, Hungary, and Germany; and some of the superbest cordials and sauces, Indeed, a very luding all the steam necessary to carry one brough the whole festivity.

WM. IRA SMITH, 1109 Main street.-This the popular establishment, so long known Richmond, and that has had so much to do with the habits of the people of Richmond themselves form so well and faithfully as Mr. Smith has those he fitted on them, things would have gone along much better, we rather think. He still faithfully stands ip to his profession, and is doing all he can, at least for the good appearance of the good citizens. He offers a vast amount of fine clothing for all sizes and all street a day or so since and looked very genteel, indeed—so genteel that we asked A. Pringle, resigned. In our gay days it was not considered respectable to wear a coat that cost less than birty dollars, and tifty was the ordinary cost of a coat with swallow-tail, metal but-lons, and rolling, velvet collar. When Colonel Webb thrashed Bennett in New York was assessed at thirty dollars, which was thought to be a price beneath the supposed a window in West Hoboken, was convicted dignity of Chevalier Webb. Coats are made | to-day of murder in the second degree.

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puality and of the prevailing styles. Of Mr. Wanamaker we may say that he has that sagacity which teaches bim the importance of advertising. No "clothier" (that's what they call them) in the country excels him in this art. This has given him wonderful fame; and he must have very decided merit or he could not midutain himself with the rush that his advertising draws upon him. He has houses in the large cities, and it is wonderful to see how he spreads himself through the columns of the great northern dallies. We take particular pleasure in calling attention INDICATIONS FOR To-DAY .- For the Middle to this branch of Mr. Wanamaker's enterprise. The moral which we wish the pub-

lic to draw is that advertising is the best investment a man of business can make. It is like the quality of mercy-it blesses him ern portion of the first, occasional light that advertises and him who prints the adrains, turning into snow are probable, fol- vertising. It increases the sales of clothing and increases the printer's means to buy more clothing to keep the exterior comfortable, and more supplies to feed and fatten the interior anatomy. Mr. Wanamaker bas an elegant establishment and a stock that cannot fail to fit a man and give him a good opinion of him-

self. It is wonderful what an improved opinion a man conceives when he beholds his picture in the glass trigged out in a new West Gulf States, followed in the south- suit. Certainly in these times of cheap west by falling barometer and northeast to clothing almost every one can turn out in a new suit. They should do so. It would certainly very much enhance the public pul-

E. B. SPENCE & Son, corner Main and Thirteenth streets.-Here is another old, familiar, and reliable establishment, which cannot be dispensed with. If anybody thinks we are mean enough to pun in this style we beg him to correct himself at once. We mean only to tell the simple truth. No, we can't give up Spence; neither can we part with Son. Long may they live and flourish in Richmond, and may we live to two members present, by count of the chairwrite their obituary. Not, indeed, that we may live long on our own account, but that we may do justice to their memory!

Well, now, speaking of Spence & Son, will you only pay attention to their brief announcement relating to their excellent and all the presents, all the mementoes of suits believe we observe holiday friendship and gratitude, the tokens of love, ties, and holiday gloves, and holiday umand the dear little evidences of affection for | brellas, and boliday collars and shirts, for "turning over a new leaf" on Christmas morning. We find it won't do to attempt to cite the long catalogue which Spence in these days of trial—these times of re-offers to the public. By way of saying striction of enterprise and oppression of grace over the "smoke-house," the whole stock is superb-eminently worthy of the admiration and support of a generous public. We leave it to our friend on the corner if

JULIUS MEYER, No. 603 Broad street .-This Broad street is beginning to take the public eye. Meyer's fine store and fine recreation to the people. It matters not stock is quite an object of approval and encouragement. At the head of his inviting advertisement stares you in the face "Elegant Presents at Low Prices." And so it is, as we tell you now; and beginning with this temptation the catalogue goeson growing in interest through the furs, and the cloaks, and the collars and the cuffs, and the gloves, and the handkerchiefs, and the cashmeresand the Lord knows what all-giving the prices which are so reasonable, nay, so low, were discontinued, another having some of that you wonder how it is that Meyer can its peculiarities would be immediately put rent astore to sell such bargains; but, then, Mr. Meyer is a very kind man! There is something in that.

Before parting we would earnestly enjoin | ment. any other day? It is not possible that such it upon you to give Mr. Meyer a call and at Fourteenth street, under the Exchange Ho- amongst the friends of readjustment in the in the history of the world, for man it must tel. He is intermediate between hardlive as long as time lasts, and must ever be pressed people and the fortunate purchsers in its power to remove any dissension which hailed with that joy, general kindness, and of the "movables" which be undertakes to may exist, and thus secure unity of action; bounding humanity which spring from the carry until a purchaser comes along. He therefore Divine approbation—the heavenly benefac- is the benefactor of both ends—he standtions diffused by the most signal act of some of the middle. Mr. Winstock offers mercy ever vouchsafed by heaven towards useful things. We call attention to the us for the purpose of ascertaining whether

your cruise. It may result in an advantage that will surprise you. Advertisers should bring in their Christfore they are gathered to their fathers. mas announcements. We can't continue

A GRAND CLIMAX.-We have read the vouth with interest, finding themselves Governor's message with great pleasure. blessed in bestowing blessings upon the Its worth amply atones for its length. It covers the whole ground, blazes the path of duty and honor for all true men to walk in, | chairman.

and brays the fools in a mortar with a pes-Elsewhere we give a full sketch of its

The debt question-which is the great question—is treated exhaustively relatives and ourselves. We present a few closed with a grand climax, which does notices of places where the hunters for ap- honor to the head and heart of the soldierstatesman. Pure, true, potent in logic, lofty in strain, and withal, persuasive in its appeal to the manhood and conscience of. duction? There could not be a better. At the people, it rises to "the height of the No. 14 Governor street Mr. Cranz offers to great argument," where it rests like an the public those wines and liquors that are eagle in its eyrie, above the reach of fowler's snare or gun .- Winchester Times.

AN ELOQUENT SERMON .- According to anthe public kinds of wines and liquors that nouncement the Rev. Dr. J. E. Edwards, of Richmond, preached at the Monumental Methodist church last night, and the spacious edifice was crowded with a large audience, drawn to this place of worship by kind of aristocratic formality in com- the extended reputation of the able divine. Mr. Edwards delivered one of his ablest pect for a gentleman who makes such and most eloquent discourses, and his audiearnest effort to conform to virtuous con- tors were greatly pleased with his impresventialities. These are certainly commenda- sive manner and ability as a preacher.—

MOFFETT-REGISTER RETURNS FOR NOVEM-BER .- The amount due the State on alcoholic liquors is \$991.16, and the sum due on malt a satisfactory result, as the returns exceed by only about \$300 those of October last, considerable part of Christmas may be made | during which | month the law was openly up at his luxuriously-supplied store—in- disregarded by a number of fiquor-dealers. Norfolk Virginian.

NEW YORK'S DOG-LAW COMMENDED .- The alarm in England on the subject of hydro-The Lancet gravely phobia continues. urges the practice of carrying a piece of luand Virginia for lo! these thirty years. If nar caustic in the pocket in order to be the people had governed the habits they ready, in case of a dog-bite, to cauterize the wound on the instant. Subcutaneous injection of the Indian arrow-poison, curare, is also advised, after the use of the

cautery. William T. Carpenter is appointed postmaster at Pleasant Valley depôt, Rockingham county, Va., vice P. D. Byerly, relastes. It must be remarked that the style signed. Samuel H. Overton is appointed of men's clothing is greatly altered, and postmaster at Spout Spring, Appomattox clothing is much less costly than it was in county, Va., vice John P. Hughes, resigned. old days. A friend appeared on the John A. Mitchell is appointed postmaster at Alchie, Halifax county, Va., vice John

At a very full meeting of the Western us that he only paid thirteen dollars for the Nail Association, in Pittsburg, Pa., Wedentire outfit. We had contemplated invinesday, the price of nails was advanced to ting him to take a drink; but we \$2.35 per keg; ten per cent. per keg off in could not think of drinking with a two hundred keg lots, and two per cent, off man dressed out-and-out for thirteen dollars. for cash. A curtailment of production was

The Philadelphia Common Council has fixed the tax-rate in that city at \$2.15 on

the one hundred dollars. JERSEY CITY, N. J., December 12.-Henry. some forty years ago, Bennett tore his dress. Eckhart, who has been on trial several days coat from the tail to the very collar, and it in Hudson County Court on the charge of naving killed his wife by throwing her from

of very different material from that of the diden time. There has been a falling off in Public dignity. However, we can stand it. Go to Smith's and you'll find how cheap and respectably a man may dress himself.

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LOCAL MATTERS.

The Public-Debt Question. CALL FOR A MEETING OF ALL CONSERVATIVES TO-NIGHT-THE MEETING AT THE CAPITOL LAST NIGHT-WHAT THE READJUSTERS ARE DOING AND WHAT THEY PROPOSE TO DO. The following paper was circulated in

the two houses yesterday: "The members of the General Assembly who have been elected as nominees of the Conservative party, and those who have been elected as Conservatives by Conservative voters in counties and cities where there were no nominations by the Conservative party, are requested to assemble in the hall of the House of Delegates on Friday the 14th instant, at 7:30 P. M., to confer together and act on such matters as may be considered necessary for the interests of the State and the preservation of the organization of the party. John H. Gayle, John W. Daniel, J. H. Robinson, J. T. Lovell, P. Hairston, L. R. Chiles, H. W. Murray, K. R. Griffin, John L. Hurt, J. W. Mar-shall, W. E. Tanner, C. T. Smith, A. Koiner, W. H. F. Lee, B. F. Bland, B. T. Johnson, H. H. Hurt, C. E. Wortham, C. G. Walston, E. B. Goode, G. T. Pace, W. F. Graves, W. J. Shelburn, W. B. Taliaferro, R. Anderson, S. H. Pulliam, John Echls, T. S. Bocock. B. C. Gray, George Walker, C. Pitts, L. R. Edwards, G. H. Jordan, H. M. L. Goode, M. Hanger, G. T. Clarke, R. A. Coghill, C. A. Bohannon, W. J. Dance, George K. Crutchfield, R. H. Cox,

W. T. Taliaferro.' THE CAPITOL MEETING. The members of the General Assembly who held a meeting in the ball of the House last Saturday night had an adjourned meeting at the same place lust night-Senator C. T. Smith chairman, and Senator Hairston. secretary. There were at one time eighty-

General Hurt offered the following: Resolved, That no action of this conference shall be considered as binding any member thereof, it being intended purely as a conference for the interchange of views. Adonted:

Resolutions were offered by Mr. Edmunds urging the Finance Committees to take the public-debt question into early consideration; by Mr. Walker, of Northumberland, suggesting the appointment of committee to confer with the bondholders; by Mr. Musbback, suggesting a joint committee on adjustment-all of which were laid on the table, after being discussed by Messrs. Edmunds, Koiner, Phlegar, Hurt of Pittsylvania, Clarke of Surry, Wallace, Mushback, Watson, Brooke, Echols, Griffin, Shumate, and Bocock.

Mr. Bocock made a splendid speech in favor of the maintenance of the public honor, and offered the following: Resolved, 1. That the members of this conference are sincerely anxious to adjust with our creditors the debt of the State on terms just to them and honorable to our

venerated State. 2. That the Committees of Finance in the two houses will entitle themselves to our sincere thanks by an early and earnest effort to devise and report some plan to carry out the desire above stated.

3. That they be requested at once to open a correspondence with the bondholders or their agents with a view to secure their cooperation in carrying out the said adjust-

General Echols offered the following: Whereas this meeting earnestly depre S. A. WINSTOCK, Loan Broker, No. 17 cates the division which seems to exist General Assembly, and is willing to do all

Resolved, That the friends of readjustment, now sitting at the Ballard House, be and are respectfully requested to meet with rich and rare trinkets he offers. They are any good reason exists why there should Christmas forever! It is near at hand. just in season at this time, and would better not be a union of counsel and action bein Winstock's window. Give him a call in the hall of the House of Delegates. Resolved, That this resolution be commu-

nicated to the chairman of the meeting at the Ballard House by a committee of three appointed by the Chair. Mr. Bocock withdrew his resolutions to permit General Echols's to be voted upon. Mr. Henkel made an earnest effort in sup-

port of General Echols's resolutions, and they were adopted, and the meeting adjourned to reassemble at the call of the The following committee was appointed

under General Echols's resolution: Delegates Echols and Bocock, and Senator Brooke. In addition to the resolutions above re-

ferred to as having been offered and laid on the table was one from Senator Bland, proposing a joint committee to devise a scheme for the satisfactory adjustment of the debt.

CAUCUS OF THE S. P. R.'S An adjourned caucus of the Simon-pure readjusters, as they call themselves, was held in the billiard-hall at the Ballard House last night, Senator Fulkerson in the chair. A resolution was offered declaring that the S. P. R's will not cooperate with the Capitol caucus proposed for to-night, or any other body or association of gentlemen

which excludes Independents. Speeches were made by Messrs. Barbour. Fulkerson, Tyler, Harvie, and others in advocacy of the resolution, and, it is said. the public must know that reporters are not admitted] was adopted. Much of the time of the caucus was spent

in talk about State officers. There was no vote taken, but the tenor of the speeches indicated a purpose of members to vote only for such persons as are in sympathy with them. They are not ready to take final action. First, because they wish to hear the report on the double-funding and receive other information about the basement officers; and, secondly, when the test is they can win. Several gentlemen said last night that they came here to settle the public debt, but had heard more about the officers since they came than about the debt. The S. P. R.'s adjourned before receiving

information of the passage by the Capitol meeting of General Echols's conciliatory. resolutions. It is expected that they will meet to-night to consider that proposition.

was not considered as well yesterday as in

the earlier part of the week. Among the visitors to the Tobacco Ex-Morrison, of Providence, R. I.; Stephen Terry, of Boydton; T. J. Talbott, R. S. Dibrell, G. W. Baugh, and John T. Stovall, of Danville; Charles Watkins, of Milton. N. C.; F. T. Stribling, of Staunton; and

homas Rutherford, of Amelia. The following officers passed their examination before the Military Examining Board yesterday evening: Captain Wortham and Lieutenant Hawes, of the Howitzers; Lieutenants Burgess and Bargamin, of Company B; Lieutenant Starke, Company G; and Lieutenant Page, of the Blues. The following names have been added to the committee to welcome Governor Holliday: Thomas Branch, Sr., Robert Stanard.

E. T. D. Myers, E. C. Crump, T. William Mayor Balthis, of Staunton, is visiting the city. Rev. J. J. Lafferty has been appointed to clerkship of House committees.

'Rose and Harry Waterns .- There was a

Legislative Rotes.

RICHMOND, VA., FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 14, 1877.

The bill introduced by General Bradley Johnson "to authorize circuit courts to grant charters of incorporations " provides that any five persons who wish to form a corporation for the conduct of any lawful business or object whatever, or for any charitable or religious purpose, or for the promotion of art, literature, or science may make, sign, and acknowledge before notary public, justice of the peace, or count or circuit judge, a certificate setting for fifth objects of their association, the name of the company, the names of the officers for the first year, and the place where its principal office of business is to be located. This certificate shall be presented to the judge of the circuit court of the county or city in which it is proposed to be located, in term or in vacation, who shall enter an order granting the charter. It shall be lawful for such corporation to have more than one business purpose or object; but each one shall be set forth in the certificate hereinbefore required for incorporation," &c., &c. It has been referred to the Committee for Courts of Justice.

A bill introduced in the Senate to amend the charter of the Potomac and Manassas Railroad Company provides that the company may construct a branch of their line from the most suitable point on its line in the Valley of James River to the city of Richmond. The company wants the use of the convicts free of charge. It is proposed, to further the purposes of the company, that the State assign to the company all claim and demand, for principal and interest it has against the Government of the United States for advances made by said State to aid in the construction of the pubne outldings at Washington, fifty per centum of which, when recovered, shall be given the company, and the other half, or same amount in State bonds, turned into the State Treasury.

The House of Delegates yesterday ousted John M. Gregory and scated Judge B. W. Lacy as delegate representing the counties of New Kent and Charles city. And it confirmed T. Spicer Curlett (Rep.) in his seat. The House has instructed its clerk to emoloy a stenographer [Mr. Lafferty was in its mindl to do the clerical work for the Committees on Immigration and the Chesapeake, and such short-hand work as may be demanded of him by Mr. Bigger.

The two houses will adjourn on the 20th and reconvene on the 1st proximo.

JAMES-RIVER VALLEY RAILROAD .- In the Senate yesterdy Mr. Daniel introduced a bill to incorporate the James-River Valley Railroad Company. In offering the bill he said he desired it to be understood that he did not wish to be understood at this time as dollars a day by the suspension of operabeing either in favor of or opposed to granting such a charter.

The incorporators named in the bill are: Robert Early, T. H. Ivy, Jesse E. Adams, A. F. Robertson, John M. Miller, Charles W. Button, L. S. Marye, N. B. Floyd, Thomas S. Walker, Thomas S. Bocock, A. G. Hancock, John H. Bailey, and D. Richards; and the act provides for the construction and operation of a railroad from the city of Lynchburg to the town of Buchanan, through the counties of Campbell, Bedford, Amberst, Rockbridge, and Botetourt, or any of them, with the privilege of connecting with the Buchanan and Clifton-Forge railroad at or near Buchanan; point between Lexington and Buchanan; with the Washington City, Virginia Midland and Great Southern railroad at or near the city of Lynchburg; and with the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio railroad at or

near the city of Lynchburg. The capital stock of the company shall not be less than \$50,000 nor more than \$5,000,000, in shares of \$100 each. The road shall be commenced within three years, and be completed within six

years from the passage of the act. The bill was referred to the Committee

on Roads.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS .- White US. McGannas, &c. From the Circuit Court of propriety of giving \$25,000, though there the county of Frederick (Staunton case). Affirmed, Judge Moncure delivering the opinion of the Court. Norfolk City vs. Chamberlaine. From

the Corporation Court of the city of Norfolk. Reversed, Judge Christian delivering the opinion of the Court. McVeigh vs. Bank of the Old Dominion. From the Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria. Affirmed, Judge Anderson

delivering the opinion of the Court. Bell's administrator vs. Bell and als. From the Circuit Court of Madison county. Affirmed, Judge Staples delivering the opinion of the Court.

Gillittt vs. The American Stove and Hollow-ware Company. From the Corporation Court of the city of Norfolk. Affirmed, Judge Burks delivering the opinion of the of Public Interests to take the subject tistry.

Govan's executors vs. Clarke and als. Petition for rehearing denied. Thomas, trustee, vs. Gerst and als. down on the privileged docket.

Commonwealth vs. Ford. Writ of error awarded to a judgment of the Circuit Court wanted to know what it would cost. He of the county of Charlotte.

Marxhausen vs. Commonwealth. Writ of error awarded to a judgment of the Hustings Court of the city of Richmond. to prepare the roadbed for the superstruc-Helfrick vs. Commonwealth. Writ of er- ture? ror awarded to a judgment of the Hustings Court of the city of Richmond. Keys vs. Forrest. Appeal refused to a Lay presented the following decree of the Circuit Court of Matthews adopted by the meeting:

ment Association a resolution was adopted out passing upon the wisdom of the officers discontinuing the regular monthly meetings or management of the canal; or the quesof the Association until the second Monday | tion of the better advantages of railroad or in May next, The collection of dues will eanal in the future, they recommend the also be suspended from December until appropriation of \$25,000 as asked for by the May. By the time of the reassembling of James River and Kanawha Company to remade on any officer they wish to be sure of the Veterans will have been engaged, and company, by which important interests of a large increase of membership is expected. who desire to keep alive the pleasant memories of the war. None have a better right, for the regiment was the pride of Rich- enship, Stokes, Scott, and Stearns. mond. The member who left the war honorably and does not attach himself was added to the committee. to this organization of his old comrades is very derelict in his duty.

Personal.-Captain Oliver J. Schoolcraft THE MOZART.-There was a large audience present at the Mozart musicale last evening, and the programme was delight- committee enlarged to fifteen. fully short and well chosen. Mrs. Rein-Venable, of Petersburg; William Ayres and W. F. Clark, of Danville; W. S. Christian, John H. Tug, and H. Stockbridge, of Petersburg; William Ayres mirably suited to her pure, rich voice. Her Rufin, W. E. Tanner, G. W. Sublett, A. B. Clarke, Jr., E. Baker, H. C. Cabell, E. S. Baltimore; G. F. Wilson and Charles A. ful and expressive; while her selection from Der Freischutz, "Ob Die Wolken," was given with a depth of feeling and taste which exhibited long and careful study. Mr. Kessnich's violin solo (by Vieux temps), while rather long for the average

audience, was carefully and well executed, and indeed surpassed any former effort of this gentleman before the Association. The tenor solo of Mr. A. S. Watkins-'Say Not Farewell" (by Millard)—was

well received. The three selections by the orchestra, though in themselves not above the average, were well given.

COUNCIL NOTES.—The Committee on Claims and Salaries will meet at the office of corded as follows: the Richmond Fire Association to-day at 12 Ayes .- Messis .. Crenshave, Rogers, Puro'clock, and will elect a chairman in place of cell, Watkins, Logan, Brankenship, Potts, Mr. Samuel H. Pulliam, resigned. The Committee on Ordinances will meet t the office of Mr. George L. Christian this | Adjourned. evening at 5 o'clock, and will elect a chair-

thieves who have for several months been day Shakspeare's comody of "Twelfth systematically robbing halls of overcoats and Night," and on Wednesday Shakspeare's

well as the property of the contract of the co

man in place of Mr. George L. Christian,

AID FOR THE CANAL.

MEETING OF CITIZENS (TAX-PAYERS, BUSI-NESS-MEN, AND OTHERS! LAST NIGHT-AD-DRESSES FROM MAJOR JOHNSTON, MR OTHERS-THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN ASKED TO CONCUR IN THE RESOLUTION FOR \$25,000 TO AID IN REPAIRING THE CANAL, &c., &c.

A well-attended meeting of citizens-merchants, tax-payers, and others interested in the James River and Kanawha canal—was held in the old dining-room of the Exchange Hotel last evening.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Frederick B. Scott, and on his motion Mr. Phomas W. McCance was invited to preside. Mr. McCance stated that the object of the meeting was well known.

General Heth moved that Major John W. Jonhston, president of the James River and Kanawha Canal Company, be invited to adress the meeting. Agreed to.

Major Johnston gave in detail a history of the application of the company to the city for aid in the sum of \$25,000 to repair the canal. He said that at this time, while the city of Richmond was deliberating as to whether the canal should be repaired, the work was being prosecuted vigorously. The question was, Shall we abandon the canal? He had already gone in debt to an extent equal to \$5,000 with the people of the James-River valley for supplies and other things to carry on this work. If, Richmond did not come to his aid he would have to return the convicts to the penitentiary and abandon the canal. Ought the canal to be abandoned for the miserable pittance of \$25,000? So far as he was con-cerned he would say "No." If he was to have the money he would have to get it from the city of Richmond, and he appealed to the citizens to give the aid asked for. The money would be spent in repairs between Richmond and Lynchburg, and not west of that city.

Mr. Blankenship, representing the Chamber of Commerce, said he had been instructed by the Board of Directors of that body to appear before this meeting and do all he could to secure the appropriation of \$25,000 by the city to aid in repairing the damage to the canal. He was certain that \$1,000 a day was being lost to the city by the stoppage of the canal. He thought the city had better make a present of \$25,000 to the canal than to longer delay the repairs. Judge Lay said he was here to represent

body of citizens at large. He said that the city was suffering more than a thousand tions on the canal. He said we ought not to consider the city of Richmond alone in this matter. The people all along the line of the canal were suffering because they vere unable to bring their produce to market. He hoped the Council would be induced to make the desired appropriation.

Mr. Franklin Stearns said we had been expending money patching and repairing the canal for twenty-five years, until a vast amount of debt had been piled up. From his intercourse with the good people of Richmond for the past few years, and especially for the past three weeks, he was satisfied that there was an almost universal demand for a railroad from Richmoud to Clifthe Valley railroad at some ton Forge. He said it would take but a few Such a road would lifton Forge. nour wealth into the city, and be the means of saving the State and her chief city. He referred to Mr. Todd's resolution, and said there would be no computing the wealth that would accrue from the development of the James-River valley. He spoke of the wealth of the iron-ore banks in the Valley, and said that if a railroad had been built up the canal a few years ago this city would now have a population of 200,000. He thought if the proposition could be amended so as to connect a railroad with it it might not be so bad, but he doubted the was much to be said on both sides of the question.

Mr. Stearns spoke at considerable length and with much enthusiasm. He thought it was high time that Richmond should put her shoulder to the wheel and cease to be a town, and become a great a city. Such a road would be worth millions on top of millions to the city of Richmond. Mr. Stearns moved to amend the proposi-

tion so as to give \$15,000 instead of \$25,000. General Anderson addressed the meeting, giving his views on the questions at issue, and explaining his course in the House of Delegates in reference to the bill authorizing the city to subscribe the \$25,000 asked for. He referred to resolutions he presented to the Common Council asking the Board of a railroad up the James-River valley under consideration, and said he could not be considered as opposed to such a scheme, but he thought we ought to make baste slowly. There were many things to be considered. He could say now what the superstructure would cost-\$1,200,000 for the steel rails,

General Anderson spoke at some length, and at the conclusion of his remarks Judge Lay presented the following; which was

Resolved, That a committee of fifteen be appointed by the chairman to present to the THE FIRST VIRGINIA VETERANS. - At the Board of Aldermen at their next meeting last meeting of the old First Virginia Regi- the sentiment of this meeting; that withthe Association a half suited for the purposes lieve the immediate emergencies of said the city and adjacent counties are seriously "The Old First" is foremost among those impaired, and from causes beyond the control of the officers of said company. The Chair appointed Messrs. Lay, Blank-

On motion of Mr. Scott, Mr. McCance Mr. Stearns said he could not serve on the committee, and the Chair appointed Mr. L. D. Crenshaw, Jr., to fill the vacancy. On motion of Mr. Pulliam, the resolution was subsequently reconsidered, and the

A communication was received from Mr. James Lyons in reference to the restoration

The Chair appointed the following addi-

of the canal, and read by Mr. Pulliam. Adjourned.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. -At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held last evening various communications were received and appropriately referred. On motion of Mr. Potts, the chairman was instructed to attend the meeting of merchants and others at the Exchange Hotel, and do all his power to secure the appro-

priation of \$25,000 on the part of the city to aid in repairing the canal. The vote on Mr. Potts's motion was re-

Levy, Spotts, and Stoke's. Noes .- Mr. Whitlock.

MISS LOUISE POMEROY .- This: noted ac-

elected president of the Common Council. tress and her fine company will present at the Theatre Monday evening Shakspeare's THE HALL THIEVES .- The three negro exquisite comedy "As You Like It." Tues-POTTSVILLE, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and who were caught by Serdrand Pottsville, PA., December 12.—George torily. To-night, Marriage; or, a Question lumbrellas, and on wednesday shakspears and line of wednesday shakspears and line o

State Dental Association.

The State Dental Association resumed its session yesterday at 10 o'clock, and was called to order by Dr. Thackston, president; Dr. Keesee secretary

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Dr. Potts and Mr. St. Andrew were in-STEARNS, GENERAL ANDERSON, AND troduced to the Association by the Presi-

> Dr. Scribner stated that the impression had gone abroad from the remarks of Dr. Hodgkin that the Association was opposed to dentists who had no diplomas. He said there were as good dentists who had no diplomas as those that had them, and he wished that this should be remembered.

> Dr. Henkel said he had a conversation with a member of the Legislature who was dentist, who stated that he thought that the Legislature might pass a bill for the protection of the dentists of Virginia il no restrictions were placed on dentists now

practicing.
Dr. Scribner favored the views expressed by Dr. Henkel, and offered the following esolutions: Whereas in the minutes of the transac

tion of the Association yesterday the re-marks of one of the members was calculated to promote a misappreheusion of the intent and purpose of the Association; therefore

Resolved, 1. That this Association disclaims any purpose on their part to interfere or in any sense act against those now in practice.

2. That all reputable dentists living in the State be, and are hereby, requested to cooperate with us in our efforts to promote and elevate the profession. Adopted. The report of Committee on Mechanical Dentistry was then called for.

Drs. Moore and Perrow said that there

had been nothing laid before the committee that was worthy of special report. All that they had to report was the discussion as to the relative merits of celluloide and rubber. The subject was discussed by Drs. John-ston, Chewning, Henkel, Keesee, Sprinkel, Thackston, and Thompson.

Dr. Scribner stated that he heard a good deal said about Western's metal, and asked the question what it was. He thought the dental profession ought not to deal with those patented nostrums as they were responsible to their patrons for what was used, and ought not to use them without they knew what they were made of.

Dr. Thackston thought of all cheap, durable material used, Western's metal was the best. He had tried it, and would advise the members to do so, as it had answered the purpose claimed for it. He was under the impression that block-tin was one of its principal components. Dr. Henkel exhibited a plaster cast, where there was contraction and recession of su-

perior maxilla caused by the extraction of the superior cuspids which came in an irregular position on the outside of the arch. The diagnosis was that instead of extraction the arch should have been spread by mechanical appliances, so as to have allowed the cuspids to have been brought into their correct position, thereby preserving the beauty of the face and to be useful for mastication. Dr. Chewning exhibited a model show-

ing the irregularity of teeth, described the nature and character of the case, and the mode of treatment. A full and clear history of the case, involving its difficulties, was also made to the Association. This case was considered one of unusual intermonths, and by October we could reach est, and was carefully examined and fully discussed by the Association. On motion of Dr. Henkel the report of the Committee on Mechanical Dentistry was

> Dr. Thompson moved that the rules be suspended so as to appoint a committee to frame a bill to be submitted to the Legisla ture, as provided for in the report of Dr. Steel . Adonted. Drs. Thackston, Henkel, Moore, Sprinkel,

passed by.

sociation.

and Thompson were appointed the committee. At the evening session Dr. Thomas G. Cowardin was elected a member of the As

Dr. Thackston offered the bill as drafted by the committee to be submitted to the egislature for their action. It was unanmously adopted. Dr. Moore moved that 2,000 copies of the president's annual address be printed for

irculation. Adopted. Dr. Johnston, chairman of the Commit tee on Dental Education and Literature, submitted the report. Adopted. Dr. Steel, chairman of the Committee on Dental Pathology, submitted the report. street.

The question was discussed by Drs. Wood, Steel, Johnston, and others. Dr. Wood, chairman of the Committee on Physiology, Histology, Microscopy, and Chemistry, submitted a report.

The secretary read an essay, by Dr. Hodgkin, on life assurance in its relation to den-On motion of Dr. Wood it was referred to the appropriate committee.

There being no further business before the Association, Dr. Scribner offered a resolution that the meeting new proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year. Buy your CANDY- and SUGAR-TOYS from C. Agreed to. The Chair appointed Drs. Mercer and

Scribner as tellers. Dr. Keesee was unanimously elected pres ident but declined. The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:

President, Dr. J. Hall Moore of Rich First Vice-President, Dr. J. H. Hen kel of Staunton; Becond Vice-Prest dent, Dr. George B. Steel of Richmond; Third Vice-President, Dr. J. W. Scribner of Charlottesville. Treasurer, Dr. James F. Thompson o Fredericksburg,

Secretary, Dr. Keesee of Richmond. Corresponding Secretary, L. M. Cowar lin of Richmond Reporting Secretary, George H. Chewning of Fredericksburg.

Executive Committee: Dr. Frank L. Harris, Dr. F. A. Jeter, and Dr. J. B. Wood. Dr. Wood was appointed to conduct the resident-elect to the chair, when the retiring president addressed him as follows: Mr. President-elect,-I congratulate you upon the distinguished honor which the voice of this Association has just conferred. In making you its first and presiding officer the Association has vindicated its title to

justice and judgment, and in thus honoring

you it has no less honored itself by illus-

trating its prudence and wisdom. I take pleasure in investing you with the dignities, the privileges, and the responsibilities of your elevated position, knowing that I commit to safe and able hands the interests and objects of our organization. leeling the perfect assurance that you will be faithful to the trust and confidence re posed in you, and that you will be cheer fully aided and cordially sustained in all the duties and functions of the effice to which

Receive, then, this badge of authority and with it the expression of our conviction that in your bands it will be held evenly" and wielded worthily; and that under your government our Association will steadily move on to the accomplishment of its ends and objects, and to the

you have been elected.

realization of all its hopes and aims.

Dr. Moore, two newly-elected president esponded in appropriate terms, thanking the Association for the bonor conferred upon him, and promising his best endeavors to promote the interest of the Association and the profession at large.

On motion of Dr. Steel, a resolution of thanks was unanimously tendered to the retiring president (Dr. Thackston) for the living president (Dr. Thackston) for the livin

tiring president (Dr. Thackston) for the faithful and efficient manner in which he discharged the duties of the office of presi-Dr. Thackston returned thanks for the

Association the Executive Committee met and elected Dr. Jud. B. Wood chairman. athat angel at an gardinani a sagan ratis ban

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THE D'ERINA CHARITY CONCERT.-The grand vocal and instrumental concert at Cathedral Hall by M'lle Rosa D'Erina will take place on Monday night instead of Sunday, as at first arranged. The arrangements are in the hands of the members of St. Vincent De Paul's Confraternity, and the proceeds of the concert are to be devoted to the benefit of the poor of the city, regardless of religious denomination. It is hoped the public will respond liberally to this call

## MANCHESTER AND VICINITY.

The Bank of Manchester .- The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Manchester was held Wednesday night. The following Board of Directors were elected : Charles W. Turner, Frank J. Sampson, C. C. McRac, Ajax Gary, E. W. Weisiger, Wyndham E. Gary, William H. Parrish, Henry J. Nunnally, J. Robert Perdue, R. S. Whitehead, A. Carey Gibbs, Dr. A. Monteiro, and Harvey J. Nunnally. At a meeting of the directors subsequently

and Willie R. Flournoy cashier. Masonic Appointment .- In -the notice of he appointment of District Deputy Grand Masters appointed by Judge B. R. Wellford, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of the State of Virginia, noticed in yesterday's Dispatch, the name of David J. Weisiger should have appeared for District No. 31, instead of Daniel K. Weisiger. Manchester and Chesterfield are embraced in District No. 31, and there are four lodges n the furisdiction.

held Charles W. Turner was elected presi-

dent, Emmet W. Weisiger vice-president,

The City Council.-The City Council will meet to-night at 72 o'clock, pursuant to adournment, in committee of the whole. The object of the meeting is the consideration of Mr. Brooks's resolution to decrease the salary of the Mayor from \$400 to \$100, and the supplemental resolution of Mr. Gibbs reducing the salary of all city officials ten per cent. on the amount now received, to take effect July 1, 1878.

Clopton has rendered no decision on the resignation of A. C. Attkisson, Commonvealth's attorney. Mr. Attkisson tendered his resignation just prior to his election to the House of Delegates. Until otherwise ordered he will continue to discharge the duties of the position.

The Commonwealth's Attorney.-Judge

A Prospect for Water.-From Ajax Gary, Esq., chairman of the Council Committee on Water, we learn that there is every prospect of the water for domestic purposes being turned on to-morrow or Monday.

THEY have proved the success of the season. We allude to the Ulsters we are offering at eight dollars. competitors acknowledge this. We

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city of Richmond in November, 1877, for the BEST and PUREST DISTILLATION of WHISKEY, to W. E. G. LEIGH, Secretary

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY. AMES M. TAYLOR & SON, 34 P. M., brick dwelling on Laurel between Cambersand and Beverly streets, and four framed dwellings on Cherry between Cumberland and Beverly

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compliment, after which the Association adjourned to meet on the Tuesday after the second Monday in December, 1878.

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